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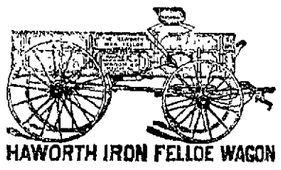

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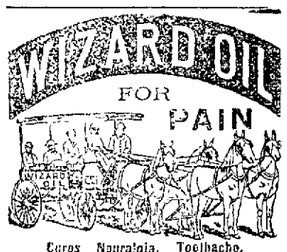

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As a soothing and strengthening nervine, "Favorite Prescription" is unequalled and invaluable in allaying and subduing nervous excitability, nervous exhaustion, prostration, hysteria, spasms and other distressing, nervous symptoms commonly attendant upon functional and organic disease of the womb. It induces refreshing sleep and relieves mental anxiety and despondency.

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PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—The Alaska Indian is pre-eminently the dude of his race. He is always clad in handsome furs or blankets, and carries a walking stick which is often a beautiful specimen of elaborate carving.

—Charles Dickens, the younger, was overcome by the grandeur of Niagara Falls. He said, as he gazed upon the cataract: "Why, this is something awful. My father, in his 'American Notes,' speaks of Niagara as a place of peace and rest. I don't see what he could have been thinking about. Peace and rest? Why, to me it is one of abject terror."

—The tallest and weightiest family in the United States resides at Roaring Creek, Randolph County, W. Va. The family of John K. Scott consisted of ten children, all boys, two of whom died in their infancy. The height of the remaining eight is individually over six feet. The father weighs 225 pounds; Mrs. Scott, 205. Hugh, 230; Oliver J., 297; Charles J., 270; Jefferson, 215; James, 237; Winfield, 220; John, 250; Edwin, 253. Weight of the whole family, 2,138 pounds.

—"Through carelessness in handling," writes a Washington correspondent, "the middle section of the mirror which is used on the President's state dining table to represent a lake in the center of the festive board, and upon which a miniature Cleopatra's barge of gold, laden with fruits and flowers, gracefully rests, was broken in numberless pieces recently. The venerable but magnificent piece of table furniture has seen years of service at the White House. The servant who handled the glass received a deserved scolding from the President.

—A New York letter says: Max O'Rell has "caught on." He is really very droll. At the close of his lecture the other night he said: "Gentalmain and ladees, you must 'ave inhaireeted some of t-t-the sang froid of your Saxonne ancaistai-r-s. You 'ave 'eard me mareduro your biyatiful-l-l langwag-g-g-ge for two h-h-hours with payshenggg." In his efforts not to swallow any of the language, as is the misfortune of his countrymen who murder it, he rests more than sufficiently vigorously on the consonants, with the above results. The audience fairly screamed with delight.

—The use of figures drawn from men's surroundings is one of the most interesting phenomena of human speech. Thus we know a sea captain who invariably in warning sinners told them to beware of a "lee shore." Meeting a ranchman from Montana on the train he asked if a "news butcher" had been through the car. A physician, a few weeks since, giving us an account of the decline of a church in his town, said it had died of the "foot and mouth disease." Being asked what he meant, he said that the people spent their time "running around talking about each other."—*Christian Advocate.*

"A LITTLE NONSENSE."

—Very few persons can hold their own on their first sea voyage.—*Boston Courier.*

—"Does your husband swear as much as ever?" "Swear! Why, I can't keep a parrot two weeks in the house."—*Town Topics*

—Instead of sewing, it is said that tailors now glue the seams of garments together. Wearers of tailor made clothes will now feel more stuck up than ever.

—"Robert, dear, how do you suppose these dozens and dozens of empty bottles ever got into our cellar?" "Why, I don't know, my dear. I never bought in empty bottle in my life!"—*Life.*

—Customer (in restaurant)—"Waiter, these are very small oysters for the price." Waiter—"Yes, sah." "And they don't look very nice, either." "Den dey is all de bettah, sah, for bein' small."—*Texas Siftings.*

—"I tell you, that b'y av mine is mighty bright, fur wun av his years," remarked Mr. O'Donnell. "Phwats he good at?" "He's mighty foine in argymint." "Oh, it's handy he is wid 'is tongue." "No, bagorra; it's handy he is wid 'is fists."—*Washington Critic.*

—Grown sensible—

When first engaged
She used to write
On monogram paper
Of cream white

But since we're married—
It's rather hard—
She says all she needs
On a postal card

—*Harper's Bazar.*

—Smith—"Did you hear that young De Long was confined to his house?" Jones—"No. What's the cause?" S.—"Brain fever." J.—"Impossible? A man must have brains for that!" S.—"True; but it was a friend of his had it, and while in delirium he got up and mopped the floor with De Long."—*Boston Budget.*

—Young Noodles, the dude—"Really, Miss Clarissa, I love you dearly." Clarissa—"Let your future conduct prove that you do, then." "Will you be my wife?" "Really, Mr. Noodles, if you had any love for me you would not want me to throw myself away like that!" He saved the expense of a ring that time.—*Chicago Tribune.*

—"Maria," said a lady to a servant who was waiting on the table, "go down cellar and bring up the bread which is lying on a shelf there!" "Please, ma'am, it won't do no good for me to do that," responded Maria. "Why, what in the world do you mean?" exclaimed the lady, greatly surprised. "I mean it won't do no good, 'cause the bread on the shelf down cellar is up here in this 'ere cupboard, ma'am," was Maria's conclusive reply.—*N. Y. Ledger.*

Their Business Booming.

Probably no one thing has caused such a general revival of trade at J. A. Swearingen's drug store as their giving away to their customers of so many free trial bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, croup, and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can test it before buying by getting a trial bottle free, large size $1. Every bottle warranted.

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WOOLEN HOODS at 25c; former price, 50c.

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Remnants of DRESS GOODS at 10c per yard; former price 15c.

Remnants of DRESS GOODS at 15c per yard; former price 20c.

Remnants of Dress Goods at 19c per yard; former price 25c and 30c.

Remnants of All Wool Dress Goods at 39c; former price 50c.

Remnants of All Wool Fancy Dress Goods, fifty and fifty-four inches wide, at 50c; former price 75c.

Remnants of Fine French Dress Goods, in plain and fancy colors, at 75c per yard; former price 90c, $1.00 and $1.25 per yd.

One lot of Odd Sizes in Ladies' and Children's Cloaks, Marked Down to Exactly ONE-HALF the Original Price!

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II.

Thou shalt not choose unto thyself any other Merchant; thou shalt not bow down to them nor listen to their speeches, for Cheap Charley's Clothing House is a reliable place to trade, capable to serve his customers to the third and fourth generations.

III.

Thou need not seek in vain for stylish Clothing, Furnishing Goods, etc., at the Very Lowest Prices, for they can be found in large quantities at Cheap Charley's.

IV.

Thou shall bear in mind that if any day in the week you will buy a suit of clothes at Cheap Charley's you can rest easy on the seventh.

V.

Thou shalt honor Cheap Charley's One Price Clothing House. May you for many years be dressed in suits thereof.

VI.

Thou shalt not commit an outrage on propriety by purchasing thy Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Trunks, etc., elsewhere, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, where thou will get what thou wanteest at Low Prices.

VII.

Thou shalt not seek adulterously strange styles, but go direct to Cheap Charleys. Corner of Old Square.

VIII.

Thou shalt not steal an Overcoat, for Cheap Charley sells them so cheap it would be a sin.

IX.

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X.

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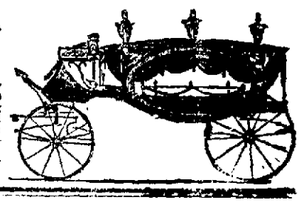

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DR. JESSE HOLLINGER has purchased the barber shop in the north end of Central Block, where all old friends and new callers as well will receive a hearty welcome, and get shaving work done in first-class style. Hair cutting a specialty. dec19-d1m

LIGHT-WEIGHT Flannel Shirts, neatly made, perfect fits, elegant shades, well adapted for clerks, book-keepers and business men generally, at B. STINE'S.

CORDED Flannel Shirts, in all the latest shades, plaited bosom, perfect in fit, at B. Stine's. dtf

Dress Goods,

In French, German and American Novelties, very handsome and cheap, just received. LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w

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A large assortment, in handsome styles and cheap, at LINN & SCRUGGS. law

WHITE VESTS for barkeepers at B. Stine's. dtf

PARTIES attending court next week will find the Court House Restaurant a convenient and desirable place to board. Everything in first-class shape and prices reasonable. 189 South Water street. W. A. COMBS, Proprietor. 5-d&wtf

CHEAP CHARLEY can find will save you money on anything you buy of him. d&wtf

J. R. RACE & CO. are making big reductions on Overcoats and Fancy Clothing. daw

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A CHILD can buy at Cheap Charley's as well as any man. dtf

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FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 20.

Go To Work.

The charity organization society is now fully equipped for business, and ready to accomplish work in the direction of assistance to the worthy poor, provided the necessary funds are put at its disposal. Decatur is one of the livest towns in America in the way of planning means for carrying on every good work, but, like every other town under the sun, it is prone to stop at the very point where the work is to be done—the money point. Now, the winter is well advanced, fully half gone, and four weeks have gone by since the first move was made in the direction of organizing the city charities. If the subsequent proceedings move with the same degree of rapidity February will slip away before the poor will begin to reap any benefit from the organization. Is this what the projectors of the movement desire? Let those interested go to work without delay, and put the society in a shape to accomplish the object of its existence.

A New York Democratic newspaper notes that "whatever may be out of the past, the Democracy of to-day stands for what is progressive in American politics." The average intelligent person will observe, however, that the word "progressive," in the sense he is used, has a opposite meaning from that given it in all the authorized dictionaries.

It is reported that too necessary arrangements have been made with Henry George whereby he will take the stump for Mr. Cleveland next summer, the Democrats having consented to abolish a portion of Mr. George's poverty. Great care will be taken to prevent the circulation of anti-poverty advocate from vetting to agricultural districts of the country, for it is very generally supposed that the farmers might object to giving up their farms to the rabble of New York City.

An English scientist has discovered a new illuminant, which has been introduced into a number of English manufactories, and is in use by the French Military Department, which, according to a London letter, will cause the ordinary electric light to cast a dense shadow. It is called lucigen, and consists of air and minute particles of oil, which is described as capable of giving a powerful light, equal to daylight, over an area of half a square mile, at an expense of 20 cents per hour of actual use. The cost to manufacturers and consumers is estimated to be one-tenth that of gas and one-twentieth of electric light, giving similar lighting power.

Too-Confiding Maiden Fatally Victimized by a Felon!

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Jan. 19.—Miss Mary Brown, a maiden lady residing in Norristown and possessed of considerable property, has been swindled out of $30,000 by a Philadelphia gambler who made arrangements for marriage. She completed a Ladies' Bank in Philadelphia and took large sums for expenses, and then fled. Miss Brown said she felt keen for the woman who victimized her, and declared, and had great credit in doing so. On Monday she was to receive a large sum of money from the Philadelphia company as a return for her investment. The money did not come, and Miss Brown wrote to her, he replied that all business between them was at an end, and that no more letters would be answered. This was startling information to Miss Brown. So intimated was she with what she supposed to be a rare and goodly method of obtaining a fortune that she borrowed money from all her friends in order to invest it with the Philadelphia woman. She has employed counsel to prosecute the Philadelphian, but her lawyer says it would be impossible for Miss Brown to recover.

Burned Out and Badly Frozen.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 19.—The house of Ignat Wittenoz, a Polacker at Hermantown, ten miles west of here, was burned yesterday morning. The family were turned out into the cold night without sufficient time to even put on their clothing, and were all more or less badly frozen. Mr. Wittenoz will probably lose his limb. A second story living in the house was also occupied by a family. The family consists of Mr. Wittenoz, wife and five children. The children caught in the kitchen chimney.

Serious Fire at Grand Rapids, Mich.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Jan. 19.—J. W. Leach's employees could be seen from the house in the morning and was a very disastrous fire. Loss, $[illegible] on stock, $7,000; the wood shop and a warehouse of the Lefflbol Vacuum Brake Works were burned this morning. Loss, $5,000; fully insured.

Fast Passenger Train Derailed.

SHELBY, O., Jan. 19.—The Westbound fast train on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad was derailed here this morning owing to a broken rail. The engine, it is thought, broke in two. Two coaches and two sleepers left the track and were considerably damaged, but no one was seriously hurt.

Inspecting the New Manhattan Bridge.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The members of the American Society of Civil Engineers made an inspection of the new Manhattan bridge over the East river at Oak Harbor and Essex streets. The structure will cost $2,000,000. Two Japanese engineers were in the party.

Constitutional Prohibition Amendment.

BOSTON, Jan. 19.—The constitutional prohibition amendment was passed in the senate this afternoon by a vote of 25 to 6.

The other day an editor who disliked to put a dunning notice in his paper, got very funny, and devised a new game called "The Editor's Delight." It is played in this way: Take a sheet of ordinary writing paper, fold it carefully, and close a bank note sufficiently large to pay up all arrears and a year in advance. That adds immensely to the pleasure of the game is to send along the name of a new subscriber or two accompanied by the cash. Keep your eye on the editor and if a smile adorns his face the trick works like a charm. It now being the best of the year, it is an appropriate time to play the joke. Just try it.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Brilliant Dinner Given by the President to the Diplomatic Corps.

Important Amendments to the Inter-State Commerce Law--Representative Plumb's Discovery.

The President Invited to Porkopolis--Fourth of July Claims Allowed--A Dead Banker--Congressional.

A Mixed Assemblage.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The President last night gave a dinner to the diplomatic corps. It was the most brilliant social event of the season. The table was elaborately decorated with flowers and ferns. The Marine Band was stationed in the hall and played at intervals. The following guests were present: Madame Romero, the Minister of Hayti, Mrs. Cleveland, Lady Tupper, the Spanish Minister, the Argentine Minister, Mrs. De Oca, the Prussian Minister, the Russian Minister, the Mexican Minister, Baroness Fava, the British Minister, the French Minister, Madame de Guzman, the Minister of Sweden and Norway, the Chinese Minister, Mrs. Sherman, the Minister of Costa Rica, Miss Bayard, Sir Charles Tupper, Miss Belmont, the Chargé d' Affaires of Japan, Mrs. Chapin, the Minister of Denmark, the Minister of Nicaragua, the Minister of Austro-Hungary, Hon. Mr. Chamberlain, Senator Sherman, Mrs. Murphy, the Chargé d' Affaires of Brazil, Mrs. Townsend, the Chargé d' Affaires of Venezuela, the Minister of Colombia, the Turkish Minister, the German Minister, the Hawaiian Minister, Madame Decrisenoid, the Belgian Minister, the Secretary of State, the Italian Minister, Mrs. Carter, the Minister of Switzerland, the Netherlands Minister, Miss West and the Chilian Minister.

Important Amendments to the Inter-State Commerce Law Proposed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Senator Butler has introduced a bill amendatory of the Inter-State Commerce law, which provides that no railroad shall charge for transportation of passengers more than two cents per mile for any distance over two hundred miles; also that no common carrier subject to the provisions of the Inter-State act shall require any employe engaged in or connected with the transportation of passengers to work more than twelve hours consecutively. During the recess of Congress, in his travels over different railroads, Senator Butler, from actual experience in railroad accidents, became convinced that one of the chief causes of the frequent catastrophes was the overworking of employes on passenger trains; that engineers and conductors and brakemen are kept steadily on duty for more hours than human nature can endure and maintain the alertness necessary to the safety of passenger trains.

Representative Plumb's Discovery.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Representative Plumb, of Illinois, claims to have discovered that an important law of Congress relating to the power of the Secretary of the Treasury to go into the market and buy United States bonds, has been practically annulled by misenrollment, misprint, or some clerical error. He says the law, as it passed Congress, empowered the Secretary to buy four per cent. bonds at any time for thirty years, and that by some clerical error it has been made to read in the statute book "after thirty years." It was with a view to investigating this matter that Mr. Plumb offered his resolution of Wednesday, which provided for the appointment of a special committee, and which the Speaker protem ruled out.

Must Give Up His Southern Trip.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—While Speaker Carlisle is very much improved, and the indications point to a speedy recovery, his physicians say he will be quite out of the question for the patient to undertake to keep his Atlanta and Macon engagements on the 23d and 24th of this month. Mr. Carlisle might stand the trip, but in the opinion of the physician it would be a hazardous undertaking. Dr. Sowers says also that it will be some time before the Speaker can resume his congressional duties.

The President Invited to Cincinnati.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—A delegation, headed by Congressman Butterworth, of Ohio, called on President Cleveland yesterday and extended to him an invitation to be present in Cincinnati on the occasion of the centennial celebration of the acquisition of the Northwest Territory under the ordinance of 1787. The President said he would certainly attend if his duties would permit him to do so.

The Extradition Treaty With the Netherlands Ratified.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Senate spent four hours in secret session yesterday afternoon on the extradition treaty with the Netherlands. Mr. Hoar occupied most of the time. The treaty was ratified. When the Senate adjourned it was to next Monday.

Fourth of July Claims.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Secretary of the Treasury has transmitted to Congress a list of 658 of the Fourth of July claims, aggregating $108,3[illegible]7; examined and allowed by the Treasury.

A Dead Banker.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Thomas L. Riggs, of the Banking firm of Riggs & Co., died this morning, aged thirty-three.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

SENATE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Several petitions in favor of postal telegraphy were presented.

A resolution was reported for a compilation of revenue and appropriation bills passed by Congress from the first to the forty-ninth Congress.

Mr. Hale reported from the appropriations committee the Urgent Deficiency Appropriation bill.

On motion of Mr. Cameron, it was decided that when the Senate adjourn to-day it be until Monday.

On motion of Mr. Sherman, the Senate, at 12:45 p. m., went into secret session.

At 4:45 p. m. the doors were reopened, and the senate adjourned until Monday next.

HOUSE

The bill from the judiciary committee regulating the practice in causes removed from State to Federal courts was reported and placed on the calendar.

The consideration of the joint resolution accepting the invitation to the United States to participate in the Mexican Exposition was resumed.

Mr. McAdoo rose to speak to his amendment offered to the resolution, the appropriation from $50,000 to $[illegible].

Mr. Belmont, in reply to Mr. McAdoo's criticism that the committee had not given precedence in reporting a resolution accepting the invitation of France to participate in the celebration of the fall of the Bastile, gave assurance of a favorable consideration of that resolution.

Mr. McAdoo said he was pleased to hear that. Continuing, he said that if the greatest republic of Europe was left to struggle against the attempt to suppress its celebration without generous support of the United States it would be a disgrace to this country.

Messrs Phelps (N. Y.) and Raynor (Md.) spoke in favor of the $50,000 appropriation for the Melbourne participation, and quoted figures showing the increased trade with Australia for the past five years, and Mr. Raynor said that the United States was annually sending $40,000,000 of manufactured goods to Australia and receiving but $8,000,000 in agricultural products. That one of the few steamship lines of the complete sailing from San Francisco to New Zealand received $150,000 per year from New Zealand for carrying the mails. He believed in all efforts to increase commerce, because commerce would restore American shipping.

Mr. McAdoo said he was loth to have the United States accept a second-hand invitation from the government of Downing street.

Mr. Crisp (Tex.) argued against the constitutionality of the measure.

After further debate the McAdoo amendment was rejected and the resolution was passed by a vote of 157 to 80.

Mr. Belmont introduced a joint resolution accepting the invitation of France to the United States to take part in the International Exposition of 1889 at Paris. Referred.

Mr. Foran (O.) reported the Invalid Pensions Appropriation bill. Referred to committee of the whole.

Mr. Wilkins (O.) submitted a proposition, in calling up his banking bill, to throw the bill open to debate and amendment, the previous quest on to be called at —o'clock on ——, the opponents of the bill to fill up the blanks.

Mr. Anderson (Kas.) objected.

Mr. Weaver (Ia.) said that no intimidation was wanted from the gentlemen from Ohio.

Mr. Anderson, raising the question of consideration, the House voted to consider the bill—yeas, 131; nays, 90.

Filibustering ensued, and at 2:30 p. m. a recess was taken until three o'clock.

After the recess, in pursuance of a previous order of the House, the ceremony of the presentation by the State of Massachusetts to the House of the portraits of Theodore Sedgwick, Jos. B. Varnum and Nathaniel P. Banks, distinguished citizens of Massachusetts who have occupied the Speaker's chair in the National House of Representatives, was proceeded with. The portraits, handsomely framed, were ranged side by side in front of the clerk's desk and attracted much attention.

Eulogistic speeches were made by Messrs. Long, Rockwell, Allen, Collins, Hyden and Lodge, of the Massachusetts delegation, and by Messrs Randall and Breckinridge (Ky.).

Mr Randall offered a resolution formally accepting, in behalf of the House, the portraits. This, seconded by Mr Breckinridge, was adopted, and the House adjourned until to-morrow.

Less Prospect Than Ever of a Settlement.

READING, Pa., Jan. 20.—There is now less prospect than at any time for an early settlement of the strike. The operators of individual collieries who expected to start up have abandoned all efforts in that direction. The division among the miners is not sufficient to enable the operators to secure enough help to go ahead. The strike leaders exhibit greater confidence than ever, and say that they are bound to win. Several of them, who accompanied Chairman Lee to this city Wednesday, remained here until yesterday morning, and a stated the question among some of the Knights of Labor of holding a public meeting here next week.

The farmers in the Schuylkill Valley will be kept in blast as long as possible for the purpose of filling contracts. Most manufacturers are losing one dollar per ton on all iron at present turned out. The use of coke has increased the cost of production, but improved the quality of the iron. Some of the furnaces have large contracts on hand, and if the same are not filled heavy forfeit money will have to be paid.

It is rumored that the miners have emphatically declared that they will not go to work for any new corporation so long as the tracks and cars of the Reading road are used in carrying the coal which they cut.

The payment of Reading railroad employes commenced heavy yesterday. About five thousand dollars will be disbursed. This is the smallest pay in a number of months. Some of the men will contribute a small portion of their earnings in aid of the striking miners and railroaders. The train and shop hands in the coal regions will be paid next week.

Will Bring the Law to Bear On the Reading Company.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 20.—The Reading railroad strikers announced that a committee would go to Harrisburg yesterday or to-day for the purpose of conferring with Attorney-General Kirkpatrick regarding the interpretation of the law regarding corporations. One of the complaints is that the company is violating the Constitution by mining coal where its prerogative is merely to carry coal, and that the subdivision of the corporation into a railroad company and a coal company should not, in the eyes of the law, protect it from prosecution. The other complaint is that the company is cornering coal by refusing to settle the controversy with the miners for the purpose of securing exorbitant prices from the consumers; and still another is that it is persistently violating the law of common carriers. It is said that the Attorney-General will be asked to bring suit in the name of the Commonwealth against the company on the strength of these charges.

General Manager McLeod had nothing to say about this action on the part of the strikers.

A Newly-Invented Machine for Making Cigars.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—A man named Sonder has invented a machine to cut, wrap, fill and finish cigars. It is claimed that a ten-year-old girl can operate the machine, and that one machine can turn out as much work as three men working by hand. One hundred machines are to be placed at once in a large cigar factory in this city, where the employes are on a strike. If they do what is claimed for them they will make it unnecessary for the manufacturers to consider the demands of the strikers.

An Actor Locked Up on Account of His Wife's Bad Temper.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—David M. Murray, the actor, was locked up yesterday in default of security that he would contribute eight dollars a week for his wife's support. He says the trouble is due to his wife's bad temper. Mrs. Murray was formerly the wife of Cyrus Clark Vandercuyer, of Buffalo. He obtained a divorce from her, and she went on the stage, where she met Mr. Murray, whom she married.

Hidden Wealth of the Starved Hermit.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 20.—Wm. Prince, the hermit, who died of starvation at Girard, Tuesday, had $1,500 in gold hidden in his hut. It was found by the coroner yesterday.

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Friday evening, Jan. 20—Dr. Willits; subject, "The Model Wife."

Tuesday evening, Feb. 14—The funny Valentine, Bill Nye.

Thursday evening, March 1st—Decatur Home Talent Concert—Arion Quartette and Prof. Ball, Miss Berry and Mrs. C. W. Montgomery.

Thursday evening, March 29—The jolly traveler, Col. J. P. Sanford.

Thursday evening, April 12—The prince of lecturers, Col. L. F. Copeland, who is recalled repeatedly to lecture in cities he has visited.

Reserved seats for this course can be had at Saxton's book store at 50 cents. Buy a course ticket for $1.00 and reserve your seat. 14d6

MET THEIR MATCH.

A Crowd of Bad Missouri Farmers Attempt to Rob a Train.

But Are Given Away by One of Their Less Hardened and Repentant Companions.

Met by a Determined Posse, and One of Their Number Wounded the Others Being Captured.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 20.—Last night's *Post-Dispatch* has the following account of a daring attack on a Wabash Western train, and the defeat and capture of the robbers. It says that a daring, but unsuccessful attempt to rob an express train of the Wabash Western road was made at about half past nine o'clock last night at a point a few miles east of Missouri City, a little town not far from Kansas City. The regular Kansas City-St. Louis Express train No. 4 left Kansas City at the regular hour, 8:20 p. m. It was in charge of W. O. Beckly, the regular conductor, George Morsey was in the cab of the engine, No. 1312, Ed Sharp, one of the oldest messengers on the road in time of service, was in the car of the Pacific Express Company, and F. S. Truesdale was in charge of the baggage. The train made its first stop at Harlem at twenty-five minutes to nine. Then it went on past Randolph, Hemenham, Liberty Landing and Clay without stopping, reaching Missouri City, twenty-two miles from Kansas City, at 9:20 p. m., a few minutes before time. On this platform at the little station was a band of men with shotguns. The conductor was informed that they were under command of an official of the county who had received word that an attempt would be made to rob the St. Louis express at a lonely spot a little less than two miles east of Missouri City. One of the officers got in the cab of the engine with the engineer and fireman, and the others distributed themselves through the train.

In another minute the train pulled out toward Lexington Junction, the next stopping point. Between Missouri City and Lexington are several small stations. The first of them is Crosley's Lake, a fishing resort for the employes of the Wabash road. It is about two miles east of Missouri City. It is one of the loneliest points on the road in winter time, for the little house at the lake is deserted and there is not another dwelling in sight. A quarter of a mile away is the Missouri river, while in the other direction is a strip of timber. Just west of Crosley's lake is the spot, where, according to the information received by the authorities of the county, the attack was to be made.

None of the passengers on the train were notified of the danger, but as the train pulled out of Missouri City the lights in the cars were lowered, and the train men took their places at the doors of the coaches with revolvers drawn. They could see any one on the platform of the coaches without themselves being seen. The express messenger barricaded the door of his car and the baggageman shut himself carefully in.

THE ATTACK

The train moved on at its regular rate of speed. In the cab of the engine crouched a man with a loaded shotgun. As the point of attack was neared a red light was seen gleaming ahead. The engineer obeyed the danger signal, for it might have been in front of a break in the track or a barricade which would have thrown the engine from the track. As the train slowed up the engineer saw three masked men standing on the track. They were armed with rifles and their faces were concealed by pieces of cloth with holes cut in them.

"Get off there," said the leader of the three men to the engineer.

"What do you want?" asked Engineer Morsey.

"Never you mind," said the masked bandit. "You get off there now."

Morsey climbed down out of the cab. Just as he reached the ground the officer in the cab pointed the shotgun out of the window and fired. Whether he hit the leader of the band of robbers or not he could not afterward tell, but both he and the engineer were of the opinion that he had. As soon as the shot was fired he and Morsey dropped down out of sight. The shot from the cab was answered with shots from the guns of the robbers, which rattled about the engine, but did no harm. The three men retired in a demoralized state.

AN AMBUSH.

As they moved back a part of the posse came up from the woods, where they had been in concealment for some time, and opened fire on them. These men had been sent out from Missouri City in advance of the train and had concealed themselves, to be in readiness whenever they should be needed.

About twenty shots were exchanged, the men on the train joining in the pursuit. Then the track was examined and found clear, and the train pulled out twenty-five minutes behind time for Lexington Junction.

The posse continued in pursuit of the band, and when the train reached Moberly there was a report that two of them had been captured by the officers and that in the struggle one of them had been killed. The robbers are known to be farmers living in the neighborhood of Missouri City. One of them is said to have been a member of the James gang at one time. It was the evident intention of the band to rob the express car, for the attack was concentrated on the front part of the train and no effort was made to reach the passenger coaches. The train arrived in this city this morning at 7:30, fifty minutes late. Of this time less than twenty-five minutes was lost at the scene of the attack.

PROVED AN ALIBI.

Interesting Evidence in the Coffee Murder Trial at New Haven, Conn.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 20.—An interesting bit of evidence was brought out by the defense yesterday in the trial of Coffee for the murder of Station-Agent and Operator Way at Stony Creek. The telegraph operator at Guilford, Conn., testified that at about nine o'clock on the night of the murder he sent a message to Stony Creek, to be sent from there to New York. He knew from familiarity with Way's style of telegraphic writing that it was he who received the message and gave "O K" for it.

Chief Operator Thomas G. Kennedy of the Western Union office in New York testified that at 10:05 p. m. he received the message from Way, the Stony Creek operator. He identified the figures and signals on the message. It was shown that Coffee left Stony Creek on a train at 10:02 and that he was seen in Guilford between eleven and twelve o'clock.

Way's body was run over by a train near Stony Creek during the evening. It was claimed that he was killed and his body placed on the track. Coffee was accused, but the evidence of the telegraphers yesterday seems sufficient to clear him.

Jail Delivery—Seven Prisoners Escape.

CHARLESTON, Mo., Jan. 20.—About four o'clock yesterday evening it was discovered that seven prisoners had broken out of jail. Sheriff Huff and others immediately started in pursuit, and a man by the name of Dodson was soon caught and lodged in jail again. The other six are still at large. They tore up the sheet-iron floor of the second story and let themselves down to the ground floor. Then they broke a hole in the brick wall large enough to get out. Jonas Avery, one of the men who escaped, is a tall, yellow negro, about twenty-eight years old, who was in jail on a charge of murder in the first degree, for killing a negro man named Tidsworth, by cutting him on the head with a hatchet. Another fellow who escaped was Henry Moore, a negro about eighteen years old, who was charged with stealing a horse. A third was a small, young white man, called James Kenor, who was jointly indicted with Mrs. Lawrence for poisoning her husband. Kenor was tried at the last term of court, but the jury failed to agree and his case was continued. Mrs. Lawrence was convicted and sent to the penitentiary for five years. The other three who escaped are Dan Underwood, Dick Simpson and John Grillith, colored, who were held on minor charges. The sheriff has deputies out in several quarters and hopes to catch the runaways.

The Hopkins Trial.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 20.—On the resumption of the Hopkins trial yesterday morning, J. Harry Watters took the stand and was again questioned as to the drafts from Chicago banks met by Harper's checks, and explained from the books what charges were made and were not made.

George J. Gould, late of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph Company, testified as to the custom of filling the "time filled" blank on messages in connection with the telegram to the American Exchange bank announcing that Wilshire would be up with six "zebras," dated June 14 and filed at 2:43 standard time.

E. F. Gay, book-keeper of the Commercial Bank, where J. W. Wilshire & Co.'s account was kept, testified that the checks of that firm for the following dates and amounts were not good on the dates they bore: February 1, $3,756.92; February 7, $6,500, and May 7, $15,000. These checks remained in the Fidelity "cash" on June 20, on which day the drawer's balance in the Commercial was only $11.06.

Undervaluation Frauds Detected.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—An investigation which has been going on at the appraiser's stores in a number of cases of frauds by undermeasurement has resulted in convincing the officials that three firms of importers have received at least seventy-two cases of goods of which the actual measurements and invoices do not agree. The amount of the undervaluations so far discovered is said to reach many thousands of francs. The foreign owners of the seventy-two cases already examined are said to have been among the passengers on the La Gascogne, which arrived yesterday, and a report is current that they will be arrested upon complaint of the customs officers.

Two Men Killed by a Horrible Accident.

BUTLER, Pa., Jan. 20.—Yesterday morning John Mathio, a Frenchman, and a Belgian named Allix, or Elliott, foreman at the Standard Plate Glass Works in this place, were almost instantly killed while placing a sheet of glass in position in the grinding table. They were standing on the table with John Kennick, when the grinders were set in motion. Kennick saw the danger and leaped to the center of the table, and a minute later was thrown off in a pit by the velocity of the machine, escaping with few injuries. Allix's legs were ground off close to his body, while Mathio was cut in the back, through the scapula into the throax, both men dying soon afterward.

The Proposed Memphis, Oxford & Columbus Railroad.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 20.—A meeting of business men was held at the Merchants' Exchange rooms yesterday to take action in regard to the proposed Memphis, Oxford & Columbus road, to run south of here, a distance of 150 miles. The projectors of the road from Mississippi explained the reasons for bonding the road, stating further that $100,000 bonds must be subscribed, but not one dollar will be collected until the road is completed and in running condition. A committee of thirty was appointed to raise $100,000 here as Memphis' subscription, and Mississippi will raise the balance.

Will Report in Favor of High License.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 20.—The Assembly excise committee will report the Crosby High License bill favorably. The Democratic minority will present a dissenting report. The committee will also report in favor of Mr. Husted's bill, prohibiting the sale of liquor on fair grounds. The Judiciary committee will report favorably the bill making the damages recoverable for death caused by corporations $10,000. They will report without recommendation Mr. Ainsworth's Woman's Suffrage bill.

Safe Arrival of the Brittania.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—The Brittania reached quarantine yesterday afternoon and will come up to her pier to-day. Her delay was due to adverse winds, which hampered her progress until she ran out of coal. She put into Bermuda for a fresh supply of coal, and was detained three days. The passengers suffered no inconvenience beyond the tediousness incident to such a voyage, and all were well when they arrived here. There were two deaths from natural causes among the 830 steerage passengers on the voyage.

Working Into the Hands of the Democracy.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—A News special from Columbus, O., says that the Republican factions in the Ohio Senate refused yesterday to adopt a resolution condemning the action of the body in electing a Democratic clerk. The fact was again in open war, and there is no longer any possibility of a compromise.

Released on Bail.

CAIRO, Ill., Jan. 19.—Evan Shelby, charged with the murder of Mrs. Moore, in Ballard County, Ky., was tried on a writ of habeas corpus at Paducah, and let out on $5,000 bail yesterday.

Death of a Valuable Stallion.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Helena, Ark., has organized an electric light company.

The increased taxable value of Texas land last year is $17,000,000.

The jury was completed and the trial of Cora Lee begun yesterday at Springfield, Mo.

Governor Semple has signed the bill giving the ballot to the women of Washington Territory.

Two miners of the Rosebrough coal mines in Illinois were fatally injured by a gunpowder explosion.

Robert Frazier was killed near Ottawa, Kas., by the wheels of a wagon passing over his head, crushing it.

The Turners of Green Bay, Wis., want all Anarchists expelled from the North American Turn-bund.

An early British cabinet crisis is predicted at London.

A series of fanatical murders of Free Masons is agitating Mexico.

Balfour was hooted and called a liar by the populace at Dublin yesterday.

Canada is complaining over a breach of international law on the part of the United States.

The validity of the Bell telephone patents were yesterday established in Mexico by the First District Court of the Republic.

Injured in the Wreck of a House.

HAMMOND, Ind., Jan. 19.—At four o'clock yesterday afternoon the new house occupied by Pete Terry, tipped from its underpinning, wrecking the house beyond repairs. Mrs. Terry had a leg broken, and the infant son was hurt by falling on her. The house had been raised ten feet to admit of another story being built under it, and was not properly braced.

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Seats on sale at Prescott's beginning Thursday morning, January 19.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Evan Thomas, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the estate of Evan Thomas, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of January, 1888.

A. R. MILLS,
Administrator, with the Will Annexed.

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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Martha Smith, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the estate of Martha Smith, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1888.

SHERMAN SMITH,
Administrator of Estate of Martha Smith.

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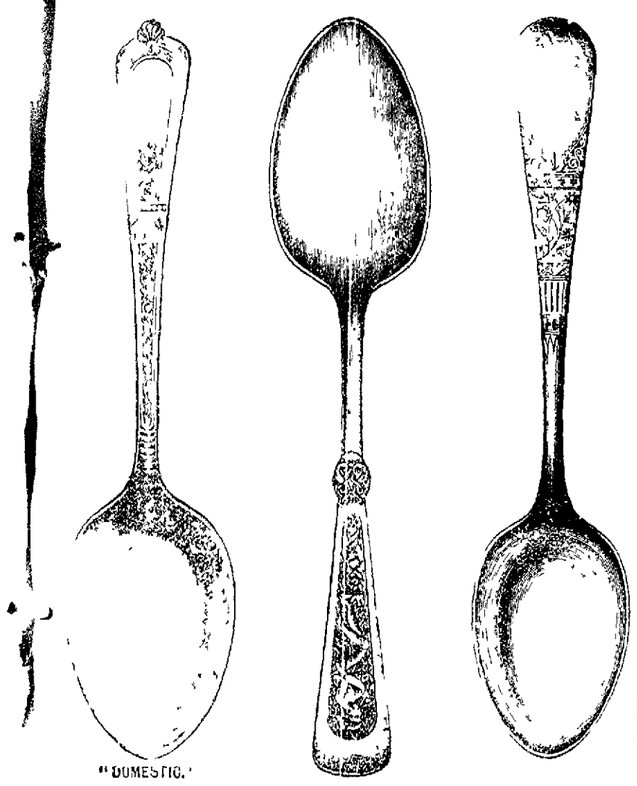

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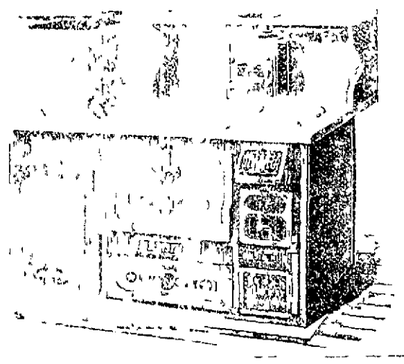

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FRIDAY EVE., JAN 20, 1888

LOCAL NEWS.

FOR dinner and tea sets go to E D BARTHOLOMEW & Co's

"MAY BLOSSOM" Saturday night

HAPPY is the boy who owns a sled

THERE are 19 prisoners in the county jail

COURT adjourned to Monday before 10 o'clock this forenoon

LOOSE hay is selling on the street at $11 a ton

TRY your grocer to send you White Loaf flour

THE G A R of the state of Illinois holds its annual session at Springfield, February 15, 16 and 17

WHO will be secretary of the Charity Organization Society?

CALL at Knode & Osborne's grocery store for the choicest California fruits.

THE signs on the street cars announce that there is good skating at Oakland Park

THE W R C ladies realized about $25 by their sociable and oyster supper last night

CORN hay and straw at Niedermyer's Mound grocery

THE ice harvest is in full blast D A M fitt has a large force at work Both of his large houses will be filled this week if the weather continues favorable.

SEND orders by telephone to Niedermyer's mound grocery store for choice supplies

DOUGLAS county has produced a boy whose feet turn backward and whose teeth are six inches long

LYTLE & ECKELS want to see you They will give you close figures on stoves and other goods

A TOTAL eclipse of the moon will occur January 28 It will be visible in nearly all parts of the United States and Mexico

ALL of the Decatur factories are putting in full time, many of the men receiving extra pay for over work

STOP at Hanks & Patterson's popular grocery store on South Water street for first class supplies All orders filled promptly and delivered to any part of the city

THE regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans will be held Monday night at G A R hall All old members are urged to be in attendance

THE piano you want is the perfect Haines Bros instrument, sold only by C B Prescott, the Opera block music dealer Buy one

THE spectacular play, "Lost in London, will be the attraction at the opera house to night Many men will leave home to go to lodge, but they will doubtless be found at the opera house

GIVE the celebrated White Foam flour a trial All grocers sell it

LAST evening Mr and Mrs C M Hurst gave a drive whist party at the Shockley residence to about 50 friends in honor of Dr Will Barnes who is soon to leave for Vienna, to be absent a year

BUY the best Vienna bread, warm rolls, maple syrup and buckwheat flour, at J. Lytle & Co's grocery store

THE people of Bloomington send us an invitation to attend the annual meeting of the Illinois Press Association to be held in that city Jan 31, Feb 1 and 2 Chairman Scott and Secretary Hutchinson the card

A FEW more of those dandy cutters can be had at D F Hamsher's place on Wood street Inspect the assortment and you will buy

THE ladies of the Wednesday evening class gave a social hop last night at Mrs. Sedgewick's Dancing Parlor in the Gallagher Block The young ladies extended all the personal invitations for dancing and escorted their blushing partners to refreshments It was a merry party

TELEPHONE to W H Shorb for cord wood stock feed, or kindlings He fills orders promptly at lowest ruling prices

REMEMBER we are the sole agents for the justly celebrated *Princess Tea* so generally tested and approved by the thousands of visitors at the St Louis exposition Respectfully,

jan18 d tf DINGES & CLOYD.

REGISTER McNULTA, Supt Wade and other Wabash officials were in the city yesterday They assembled at Mr. Stevens' office for a consultation in relation to the conductors who have been suspended pending the investigation as to their alleged irregularities The result of the conference is unknown at present

WE would like to make the acquaintance of the lady or gentleman who will say that they have used a *maple syrup* superior to our XXXX

jan18 dtf DINGES & CLOYD

FARMERS clubbing together to buy one or more imported draft stallions, is proving quite satisfactory, and the plan is becoming popular all over the west. Five or ten farmers unite, each having several mares to breed, the best class of stallions is secured and a liberal patronage is thus readily obtained, and the community benefitted by the great increase in the horse-breeding interest, and the improvement in quality and selling value by the grading up to meet the demands of the market for more heavy horses

SELECT maple syrup and choice family groceries at Moore Bros' store in Opera block.

READ Cheap Charley's adv't d&wtf

A Conference.

On Tuesday, Feb. 21, the Republican chairmen of the 16 counties in the third district, will hold a meeting in Decatur for the purpose of considering the advisability of holding a convention to nominate a candidate for the supreme court to succeed Judge Scott If Hon Hugh Crea is a candidate, he is Macon county's first choice, but if he is not, Judge Wilkin will no doubt receive the vote of Republicans and Democrats in this section Mr. Crea will return from Europe the latter part of next month

Vandalism

This morning two loads of straw were found tipped over on the boulevard in front of John Hatfield's residence on South Main street The owner of the straw had unhitched his teams and put them in a stable, intending to haul the straw away and sell it to day But unknown vandals were abroad last night and maliciously upset the loads, damaging the wagons and causing the owners much trouble and expense Around in the alley Thomas Albert found that his spring wagon had been turned over Police!

Cleared $50.

The Baptist sleighing party and social at the residence of Mrs F T Seeley last night brought out about 200 people who partook of the oyster supper The venture netted enjoyment and about $50 in cash for the new church During the evening Miss K Harwood and Miss Mamie Freeman gave vocal solos and Miss Nates Clark entertained the company with an instrumental selection

WILLIAM BARNHART was put in jail last night at 8 o'clock by Officers Bailey and Midkiff, on a charge of stealing a silver watch and $19 00 in cash from Martin Krows, foreman at Crouch & Son's stables The crime was committed on Wednesday night, the thief entering Krows' room while he was asleep Barnhart has a family He will have a hearing this evening before Justice Curtis

He is Sick

Bishop Merrill, who is ill at his home in Chicago, has written Rev J R Reasoner that he cannot visit Macon until next Sunday a week Jan 29th All parties interested should make a note of this.

Sales of Real Estate.

Anna E and Clara B Griffin to W I J Cooper, part of lot 6 in Rogers' first addition to Argenta, $17

R T Allinson to W H Willoughby piece of land forty feet wide on the south side of the n e quarter, section 25, town 15, range 1 east, $100

Lewis Stookey, Florence Stookey, D Wesley Stookey and Mary C Randle to Daniel Stookey, the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of 10, 16, 1, Hunstown township—$2,000

The Circuit Court.

After hearing a few motions this forenoon, Judge Smith adjourned court until Monday next at 10 a m

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Benjamin Z Taylor vs Florence S Hopkins attachment Trial by jury verdict in favor of defendant Mr Taylor's counsel entered a motion for a new trial

Lincoln M'f'g Co vs J C Johnston and H H Childs confession Judgment for plaintiff by confession for $464 and execution awarded

CHANCERY DOCKET

Eliza Richardson vs Wm I Dolyer partition and dower Report of commissioners approved and decree entered

Augustus Watt vs John Hindsay et al foreclosure Rule on defendant to close evidence by next Thursday morning.

Frank Wilson was discharged from custody on a writ of habeas corpus He had been fined $50 and costs by Justice Odell for carrying concealed weapons and was ordered to stand committed until the fine was paid It was shown that no execution had been returned and as it was shown that the prisoner had no property to pay his fine he was discharged Wilson had been in jail since last November

"Lost in London" To-Night

Newton Beers and the "Lost in London" company will appear at the opera house to night The N Y *World* said

The theme is effectively handled, and the climaxes are dramatic In short, from a purely dramatic standpoint Lost in London can stand upon its merits but inasmuch as the resources of the scenic artist and the stage mechanist have been drawn upon and the musical element has been introduced the production at once becomes especially attractive Mr Newton Beers, who impersonates *J B Armstrong*, last night became a strong favorite with the patrons of the Grand Mr Beers is an actor of refined ability His characterization is consistently conceived and well executed throughout and he received unmistakable evidence of that his efforts were appreciated As Nellie Miss Jessie Le Randolph gave an excellent performance and the remainder of the company gave satisfaction

Incidental to the play the North Tirolean Alpine Singers appear in their national costumes and rendered a number of North Country songs and glees in a manner that secured a number of encores Master Tudius Rich won recalls by his performance on a special instrument called the Pan-time The piece was mounted in spectacular style The scenery by Hoyt was good to excellent advantage and the snow effect and Jubilee vision were both fine bits of stage illusion

Clokey's Addition

A sleigh ride over the East Park Boulevard is the correct "caper" this season Attractive as the addition is in its winter garb, one can scarcely imagine how beautiful it will be when the 700 or more trees are out in leaf and bloom Our out zens who visit Florida or California "go off" over streets lined with trees in bloom. Mr Clokey wishes to convince the people that equal attractions can be had in Illinois. First and fourth streets on his addition are lined with trees that will be covered with bloom and red berries and at each street intersection are twelve blooming trees He aims to have four rows of blooming trees on William street and to have Wood street lined with the same, so that the entire addition will be surrounded with trees diversified with bloom and berries There will also be fully twenty varieties of blooming trees in the park These are all Illinois trees. Mr Clokey wishes to demonstrate that the beauties of Illinois foliage are equal to anything seen in our southern cities He hopes to secure a florist to decorate the mound with flowers The Boulevards will present an enchanting scene unequalled in any city

THERE are 13 Western Union telegraph line men registered at the New Deming They are here to put up taller poles that will lift the telegraph wires above the electric light wires the distance desired

THE loss by the little blaze in the Charles Laux apartments at the St Nicholas hotel recently was $107 The insurance companies will make it good The total insurance on the property is $18,090 50

IN Justice Curtis' court yesterday Billy Beard had to pay a heavy fine for stepping across the dead-line at the union depot hack stand. He paid up

UPHOLSTERING and Furniture Repairing done by A. Beer. Will please everybody. Lincoln Square. Jan 15-d3m

An Assessment Ordered.

At the meeting of the executive board of the Decatur Board of Trade held last night it was ordered that an assessment of 25 per cent of the capital subscribed be made This assesment calls for $1800 Secretary Cloyd will make out a report of the work of the Board, receipts and expenditures, which will soon appear in circular form At the meeting of the Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners to be held in Chicago next week the Board will have one or more representatives present The commissioners are to submit the maximum of freight rates to be observed in Illinois, and will give all towns a chance to present objections before the new rates take effect

THE Aultman & Taylor company will establish a distributing warehouse near the Union depot on the James Millikin lots It is through the Decatur Board of trade that this agricultural implement firm comes to Decatur

Arrested.

Last summer a number of boys took possession of a hand car and run it out on the I, D & S road beyond the bridge, where it was abandoned The lads were arrested at the time, and they were indicted for malicious mischief by the September grand jury To day Sheriff Maupy arrested all the boys and put them in the county jail They are Albert Montague August Kowalski William Larvin, Mark Doahue, Dennis Keating and Ernest Keating. Bail is $500 each The trial will come off in the county court

ANOTHER cold wave is predicted, for to morrow morning—a fall of 20 degrees It was 6 above this morning

Charged With Contempt

In 1879 Barnett township, in DeWitt county voted $30 000 in the aid of the construction of the Midland railroad, now known as the Terre Haute & Peoria road The bonds were to be issued by the supervisor of the township This the supervisor whose surname is Barnett, refused to do, and the railroad company commenced an action in mandamus against him to compel the issue of the bonds The case was carried to the supreme court, and an order was made directing Barnett to comply with the vote of the township He still refused and was sent to jail for contempt of court where he remained until the expiration of his term of office, which was two years, he was released by in order of the court As soon as a new supervisor was elected he was induced to leave the state for parts unknown, and so the matter has gone on, each supervisor after the regular biennial election leaving the state immediately after he had qualified Several lawsuits Connolly & Mather, who represent W S Dunham, of Logan county the contractor who built the road and who was to receive the bonds as payment for his work, made a motion in the supreme court for an attachment against a number of prominent citizens of Barnett township who it is claimed have been hiring the supervisors as soon as elected, to leave for parts unknown to compel them to come before the court and show cause why they shall not be imprisoned for contempt The court has allowed the motion and in order has been issued for attachments for the parties

A Surprise Party

There was a pleasant surprise party in honor of Miss Lizzie Burch Thursday evening at her home on North Church street The party met at the home of Miss Flora Battles, leaving for the pleasant home of their fair hostess about 8 o'clock Those in attendance were Misses Flora Battles Cora Towle, Laura Tullis May Trout Ollie Cox, Estelle Stoy Lilla Shera Lily Stukle, Messrs Clifford Arthur Elmer Towle, Charles Dennison George Trout Will Sherman Ben Ditzler, Albie Bower and Bert Bobb, Walter Levy Refreshments were served at a seasonable hour, consisting of hot coffee, Sandwiches cake and other delicacies It was about 1 o'clock when they bid their hostess good night

PERSONAL MENTION

H H Stafford we are pleased to announce is convalescent

Mrs Nancy Gaget, of Hopolis, aged 90 years, is dead

Aileen Laux is home from Springfield, suffering with an inverted tooth

Mrs James Millikin departed last evening for Hot Springs Ark

Dr A A Willits, of Louisville, Ky, who is to lecture on "The Model Wife" at Music Hall to night arrived from the east this morning

Solon Boyd of Macon, was in the city to day the insurance adjustment of losses on the Macon fire is about completed

Senator T L McGrath of Mattoon was at the St Nicholas Hotel last night where he met Ex Senator Rogers, G C Caldwell and other Decatur friends

J D McGiffey, western representative of a United New York patent house started out yesterday on a business trip through the northern part of the state

F A Lefforge who is in the south accompanied by Aldi Showmaker, favors us with late copies of Dallas Texas papers, the *Gazette* and the *Morning News*

Billy Downing and Frank Elwood took a journey in a cutter to the D B Batchelder residence to day 12½ miles in the country Mr D went out to look at a horse said to have speed as a trotter

Hon J A Rice of Pana in the city yesterday, called to renew his faith in the REPUBLICAN by paying for another year's subscription He says Pana is to have another coal mine and three or four new railways He always boosts Pana

Sullivan *News* 'Squire Woodruff went to Decatur last week and rented a house He will move over in the near future The 'Squire has rented his farm here and will enter the retired list He has been an honest and industrious man and well deserves a rest

May Blossom

This beautiful comedy drama, 'May Blossom, the Fisherman's Bride,' will be the play at the opera house to morrow night, to be presented by the talented Madison Square company under the management of Joseph Adelman who takes the leading male character Crowded houses have greeted May Blossom everywhere The scene of the drama is laid in a small village in Virginia during the war

THE party given by Lewis Griswold last night at his home on West Main street was an enjoyable affair, supper being served at 11 o'clock The dancing continued until a late hour The party included Misses Ella Race, Mary Roby Lida Moore Sarah and Louie Boyd Alethea Tuller, Daisy Durfee, Jennie Sullivan Lucy Roberts, Blanche Gasaway Jennie Wells, Anna Heukle, Myrtle Green, Mr and Mrs Ed Alexander, Messrs James and Dick Roberts Walter Boyd, J M Cornthwait, Smith Crowder, Harry Westhoy Smith Walker, Robert Johnson, Will Quinlan, Lou Lyman

MRS SEDGWICK'S Friday and Saturday dancing classes are about to begin a new term which will be one of eight instead of twelve lessons with a corresponding reduction in price Beginners should apply at the class room in the Gallagher building on Saturday afternoon Private lessons in round dances $4 for twelve lessons 2t

Decatur at the Springs.

George V. Peake, son of George B Peake, and nephew of James L Peake of this city, is at Hot Springs, Ark, where his father resides Young George has developed into a portrait artist and is becoming famous. He recently painted a large picture on canvass in oil for Dan Butterfield, of that city, which is highly complimented by the art critics of the Springs One paper says "In this painting, (representing two athletes in ring costume sparring for points with soft gloves) Mr Peake exhibits the evidence of a high order of genius, and it is safe to say his future will be a brilliant one, filled with a thousand possibilities"

Sign the Constitution.

After the election of the Charity Organization Society officers yesterday it was voted to leave the constitution book at Gorin, Dawson & Co's bank for additional signatures The members of the central council, representing each church and society in Decatur, should go to the bank at once and sign the constitution. When all have signed the list will be published

WANTED—Position by a first class lady stenographer and typewriter of long experience Reference first-class. Address M C this office 19 d6

Out of Her Misery

Coroner Perkins held an inquest yesterday on the body of Mrs Augusta Laschowski, aged 45, who committed suicide Wednesday night at 1257 East Condit street, by hanging herself in the smoke house with a clothes line The woman was in poor health, suffering from sharp pains in her stomach heart and brain She was the the mother of four small children, the youngest a babe only a few weeks old It is said that the woman got out of bed too soon after her confinement and must have been temporarily insane when she hanged herself The verdict was that the deceased came to her death by hanging Her husband is in the employ of the Wabash. The funeral took place to day, Rev Landgraf, of the German Lutheran officiating

Held for a Raise—and Got It.

The Tuscola *Herald* says "Joe Smith, living southwest of town, has each year for the past three years, raised 450 acres of corn Not being satisfied with the price offered he left his crops stand in the crib until he had three crops on hand The price of corn having reached 50 cents per bushel, he sold the entire lot to R & J Irvin, of this city, at that price, and has been delivering it this week Mr Smith is one of the best corn raisers in this county, and he now has the good round sum of $15 000 to show for his work"

THE ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps gave a sociable and oyster supper at G A R hall last night, which brought out a large company of friends There was music by the Post orchestra during the evening, and everybody met everybody and shook hands with everybody

The Fire Eater.

Ed Barnwell, of Cerro Gordo, is in Denver now and reports splendid weather but is almost broken down with hard work (?) his duties requiring ten minutes work each day at a salary of $10 per week He next goes to Leadville at $50 a week He is still "eating fire" He will commence his engagement with P T Barnum March 15—*New Era*

WHEN the eyes become weak or the lids inflamed and sore, vitiated red system or a scrofulous condition of the blood is indicated, for which Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best remedy It invigorates and vitalizes the blood and expels all humors

Dr. Willits

Opens the Star Lecture Course at Music Hall to night with his popular lecture—"*The Model Wife*" The wife is the architect of the home, and the model home of our city is presided over by the model wife There are many homes that ought to have less worry brighter faces, lighter hearts Dr Willits will not give the details of how the model home is made, will not do the work of the architect, but will present general principles in pictures of sunshine, with an outline of precepts, all adapted so as to be readily applied not only by the architect but by her able assistant—the *other* half the whole picture to be set on a foundation of fact from a world of common sense, the setting to be done amid peals of laughter Parents, hear this lecture to night and your home, be it ever so humble, will be the brighter and dearer to you

Attention, Everybody!

To the working public and all persons who are unable to get down town except in the evenings Peake & Son will look to your interest by keeping open their Jewelry Store every evening until 8 30 p m If your *Watches, Clocks and Jewelry* need repairing bring them to us and we will give first-class work and at reasonable prices Also have a full and complete line of Watches Clocks and Jewelry J L PEAKE & SON,

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By Judge Nelson at his office in Decatur, Thursday January 19 Samuel L Stanton of Heyworth, McLean county and Miss Sarah Slagle of Wapella

By Judge Nelson at his office in Decatur January 19 Charles Mot with Miss Ella Stone both of Newman

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"THERE'S such divinity doth hedge a king that treason" fears to touch him But rheumatism is no respecter of persons, and Royalty would do well to patronize Salvation Oil the great pain cure

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Reserved Seats for the STAR COURSE may be selected at once at Saxton's Book Store.

First come, first served Purchase your tickets at once. W E MANN.

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p m to-day, received by G C Caldwell, Secretary Decatur Grain Co

WHEAT—76½ Jan, 76¾ Feb, 77½ Mar, 83 May.

CORN—48¼ Jan, 48¼ Feb, 48⅜ March, 53¼ May

OATS—30 Jan, 30 Feb, 30½ March, 33¼ May

PORK—$14.07 Feb, $14.17 March, $14 47 May

LARD—$7 40 Feb, $7 45 Mar, $7 60 May

RIBS—$7 55 Feb, $7 56 Mar, $7 82½ May

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 22 000, prospects steady.

Cattle, 10,000, prospects easier

Car Lots—Wheat Winter, 5; Spring, 9; Corn, 189; Oats, 76.

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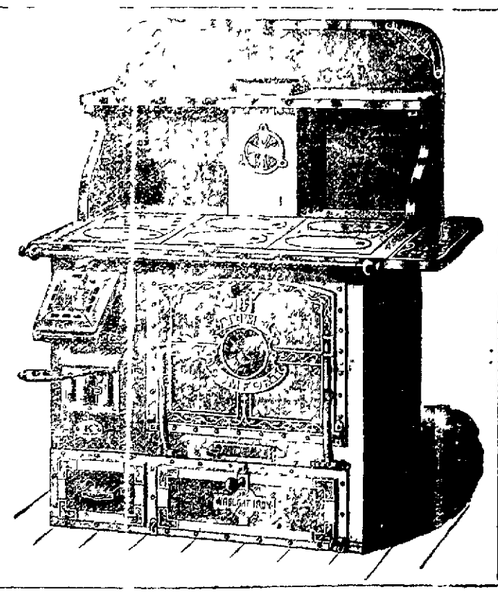

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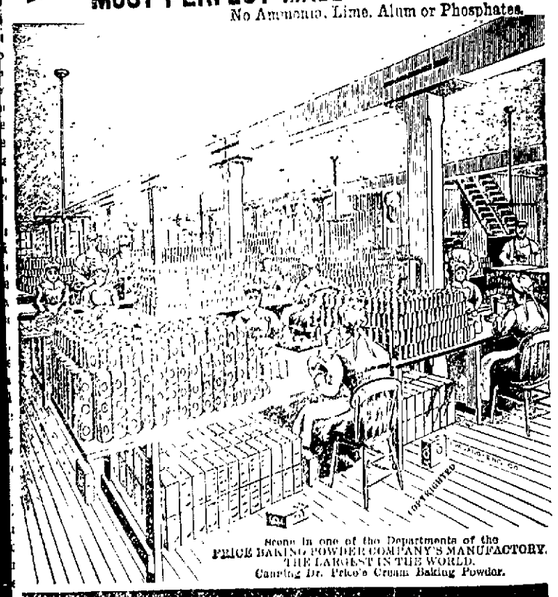

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The mill-saw with its teeth of steel
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On summer days in the summer air.

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As float the shining masses down
Around the curves, among the stones,
And past the busy trade-blind town.

And still the saw with teeth of steel
Bites through the log upon the tram
And drops its food like golden meal
Into the stream below the dam.

—*Jerome W. Turner, in Atlanta Constitution.*

IN A TIGHT PLACE.

An Early Morning Adventure With a Mountain Lion.

About three years ago two young men, Walter Robbins and John Bennett, operatives in a Lynn shoe factory, finding themselves unable to save up much money by their work, and despairing of getting ahead much at the East, turned all their possessions into cash, went out to Wyoming Territory, and embarked in the business of sheep farming. They located on one of the tributary creeks of the North Platte river, at the foot of the mountains.

Very early one morning, not long ago, they slaughtered a fat sheep and hung it up to the limb of a pine tree, a few yards away from the door of their "shack," or slab-house. Then while Robbins dressed the sheep, Bennett proceeded to get breakfast, and fried a mess of the fresh sheep's liver.

Breakfast being ready about the time that Robbins finished his task, his partner called him in, and they sat down at a table inside to eat. While they were thus agreeably occupied, they were suddenly disturbed by the cracking of the pine boughs, and heard a *thud*, as of some heavy body falling to the earth. They rose hastily from the table and stepped to the door, and were astonished by the sight of a large tawny-colored animal, making off with their mutton!

It was a mountain lion which had come boldly up to the shack while they were eating, and leaping among the branches where the carcass hung, had broken them down and secured the entire sheep!

After one hasty glance, they both turned to snatch down their "Winchesters," and Robbins, getting out a little ahead, fired several shots at the creature as it loped off up the narrow valley of the creek. But the active movements of the animal, notwithstanding the weight of mutton it was carrying, prevented him from getting a good aim, and he failed to touch the creature.

The lion kept its course up the canyon for several hundred yards, and then disappeared in one of the deep, narrow gulches or draws that open out into the creek valley.

"He's gone into that draw!" said Walter, excitedly. "Now we'll get him, if he hasn't got a deep den in there! You go round on top of the hill, to the head of the draw, John, and I'll go into the draw; and if I don't shout him in there, you'll get a good shot as he comes out."

"All right," said Bennett, "but be sure to leave me time enough to make the head of the draw."

Gun in hand the two men started at a run. Bennett went up over the bluffs, and Robbins hurried up the bed of the gulch.

Walter soon reached the entrance to the draw, which was merely a deep, rocky notch, thickly grown to buffalo-berry bushes and stunted pines. Here he waited, until he thought Berry must surely have made the head of the draw, though, owing to a sharp curve in the ravine, which prevented him from seeing, he was not able to determine the fact. Then he started hurriedly up the narrow, bush-grown water-way, at the bottom, holding his rifle in readiness for a shot.

He soon found himself entering a gloomy, pocket-like ravine with sides rough, steep and forbidding. He afterwards admitted that he knew it to be a rash undertaking; but he was determined to have satisfaction for that mutton, and pushed on with more haste than prudence, scrambling over bowlders that lay in the bed of the water-way, and forcing a passage through thickets of brush that overhung it. All the time, too, he kept a sharp lookout for the panther which he expected to startle out of its hiding-place by the noise of his approach.

He did start the creature presently, and knew that he was on its trail; for upon several of the big rocks which lay at the bottom, he discovered traces of blood where the fresh carcass had been dragged over them.

A moment later he came to a sharp curve in the gulch, formed by a point of rocks jutting out into it. Here the water-bed suddenly widened to a plat of hard earth, overhung and darkened on one side by a low, beetling ledge of red rocks, and shut in on the other by a brushy slope, so steep and ragged that a man would have found it difficult to climb.

The sun was not yet very high, and the whole gulch was still in shadow; so that although Walter had now brought himself face to face with the panther, he was first made aware of its presence by a low snarling that came from the base of the projecting ledge.

Even then, so dark was the place he was obliged to look as sharply as he could to see him. Then he caught first the yellow gleam of the creature's eyes and then the outlines of its body, drawn up in angry attitude, against the dark red background of rocks. The beast clearly meant mischief, and had no notion of retreating from its lair under the ledges.

Robbins leveled his Winchester and, with hands that shook with excitement, took as good aim as he could. The hammer clicked, as he pulled the trigger but there was no report!

He threw the lever forward quickly, and looked to see what was the matter. The barrel was empty! There was not a cartridge in the magazine! He had, without being aware of it, fired all the cartridges there were in the gun at the panther as it ran from the pine-tree; and his cartridge belt lay, at that moment, in the shack! In his haste and excitement he had been grossly and stupidly careless.

For an instant he stood still, staring at the beast, which, still crouching there, lashed its side, and threatened him with ferocious snarls and a frightful display of its bloody mouth and wicked-looking fangs!

He was about to risk a retreat, backward, for he was afraid to turn his face from the brute, when he heard Bennett calling to him, from the top of the bluff above. Looking up, he could see his friend's head, about a hundred feet above him.

"That you down there, Walt?" Bennett called out, stepping forward upon a bowlder to get a better view of the dark gorge beneath. "It's an awful ugly hole down there, and there may be a whole nest of panthers in it! Seen any thing of him yet?"

"I'm seeing him now!" replied Robbins, as coolly as he could. "He's right here under the ledge in front of me, and I haven't a cartridge in my gun!"

"Great Scott! what!"—shouted Bennett, but did not finish his sentence, for as he spoke, the bowlder began to roll, and he lost his footing and slid down the steep side of the ravine—the stone rolling in advance of him, crashing among the brush and sending the small stones flying in every direction!

At the sound of their voices, the panther had ceased its snarling, and stood for a moment in an attitude of evident alarm. It had probably never before heard the sound of the human voice. Then as the stone came tearing down, it leaped out from its covert, ran a few yards, then stood arching its back and glaring wildly from side to side.

Robbins was now taking advantage of the uproar to back slowly away, when Bennett brought up against the butt of a little pine, at the top of the ledge of red rocks.

"Shoot him!" cried Robbins. "He's right down there under you! not ten feet below you!"

Bennett had clung to his gun; he leaned forward and looked down, then, catching sight of the animal, whipped his piece around and fired on the instant.

With a terrible roar the panther made several bounds up the opposite side of the bluff. Then, maddened by its wound, it whirled about and dashed straight for Robbins who was backing away. With three or four prodigious leaps, it came up with him, and he clubbing his gun met it with a blow, but was knocked backward by the weight and momentum of the brute. Both came to the ground. Robbins sprawled on his back, while the panther struck beyond and rolled over and over down the bed of the ravine! There it lay kicking for some time, but at length expired.

Robbins gathered himself up, somewhat bruised and terrible frightened, but thankful enough, when he discovered that the beast was done for, to have escaped so well!

Bennett had been almost equally alarmed; but when he saw that the animal was disabled, he scrambled down from the ledge, and ran to ascertain the extent of his companion's injuries.

"Tell ye what, old man!" he exclaimed. "Let's leave these brutes alone, in future. I don't want to monkey with 'em any more!"

Robbins heartily agreed to the proposition.

They then examined the dead animal and found that Bennett's ball had struck it between the shoulders and come out at the breast—a shot that would instantly have killed almost any other creature. It was a full-sized male panther.—*Youth's Companion.*

—"Bub, what are the bells ringing for?" he asked of a newsboy. "Fire, I expect." "Where is it?" "Down there about two blocks." "But why don't you go?" "Me, O, the thing has got monotonous. When a feller has run to three or four thousand conflagrations and seen the red tongues lick up fifty or sixty billion dollars' worth of property he sighs for some thing fresh. Guess I'll go down to the docks and see if some steamboat hasn't blowed up in her slip."—*Detroit Free Press.*

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THE OLD SETTLER.

A Characteristic Letter by Ed Mott from Pennsylvania's Wilds.

[Special Correspondence.]

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 16.—"Ez I kim by your plantation this mornin', major," remarked the Squire as the Old Settler came in the tavern, looking solemn and despondent, "I think I noticed that you an' the ol' woman had a leetle company, didn't I?"

The Old Settler took off his hat and mopped his head with his red bandana. Without any apparent reference to the Squire's inquiry, he finally said:

"It strikes me pooty squar' atwixt the eyes," said he, "th't thuz some folks a wanderin' through this vale o' tears ez gits more th'n their sheer o' tribbylation an' vexation o' spirit. Yes, a durn sight more th'n was ever calc'lated in the beginnin' th't they was to be cut an' fitted for. I tell ye 'tain't no fair shake. W'en I see some folks—an' not much 'count folks, nuther, some on 'em ain't—a swimmin' long, b'gosh, day in an' day out, a missin' ev'ry snag th't's stickin' up in the current, an' a keepin' 'way out o' the suck an' back swirl o' ev'ry dod rotted treach'rous eddy, an' a floatin' like a bobber on a fish line in over two places whar th' hain't no end o' dum leaky bars, an' a slippin' slick an' safe through shallers whar the rocks can't hardly hide their slimy ol' heads; w'en I see sech folks a-swimmin' along like that, an then see a passel o' the bes' kin' o' fellers—fellers, b'gosh, ez never done nothin' to nobody ez wa'n't 'cordin' to the law an' the prophits—w'en I seen them fellers a gittin' carried agin ev'ry snag th't is in the stream, an' washed fust outer this rock an' thon plumb onter that bar, an' swished an' swashed hither an' yon by ev'ry or'nary flood th't comes b'lin' along, 'til sta'y'd take it ez a mercy if they could be swallowed up an' done with it, I tell ye, boys, w'en I see this I can't fetch myself to b'lieve th't things is mannyfactur'd quite on the squar', an' it makes me feel jest ez if I wanted to lay right down an' chaw gravel, an' sw'ar the sap outen a side hill plow! I don't wanter go flyin' in the face o' the good ol' orthydox doctern I was borned an' raz in, but I'll be gum swizzled if I ain't a tellin' ye th't jurisprudence o' sumpin' is wrong! The perp'nidicular hain't straight, an' thuz an everlastin' screw loose some'rs, b'gosh, an' ye kin tell 'em I said so!"

The way in which the Old Settler whacked his cane on the floor emphasized the fact that his despondency was gone and that his dander was up.

"What's gone wrong, major?" asked the Squire. "Has somebody's chickens ben playin' bot wi' yer garden?"

"Boys," continued the Old Settler, ignoring the Squire's inquiry, "I'm nigh on to seventy year ol'. If I live to see nex' Thanksgivin', an' it comes on the right day o' the month, I'll be sixty-nine. I kin reckomember back for sixty year, 'thout a slip or a break, an' in all that time I can't reckomember a day th't I didn't hate a yaller dog. For sixty year yaller dogs has ben gall and wormwood to me. An' yet, so far ez I know, th' hain't a single yaller dog never laid a straw in my way. But I was allus p'ison agin 'em, an' I s'pose it was borned in me, sumo ez the azmy. But un'erstan', boys, w'en I say yaller dogs I don't mean houn's. Some folks move say th't houn's is yaller, but they hain't. They'n buckskin color, houn's is, an' their hides is slick an glossy, an' their eyes is bright, an' their voice is music, an' they know more in a minute, b'gosh, th'n any consarned man that ll own a giniwine yaller dog kin larn in a month o' Sundays!

"But talkin' o' houn's, boys, gosh! mighty! Don't it carry me back nor nothin' to the days w'en 'twas worth w'ile a livin'? Fifty year ago! Then th' was deer! Then ye k'd sar' yer dogs out on the ridges an' hear 'em sing! I kin see myself now, on some bracin' frosty mornin', standin' on the ol' Burnt Ches'nut run-way, clutchin' my flintlock, an' waitin' for Muse to sen' a deer to me. Muse was a houn' o' mine, an' the race o' houn's died out w'en he was gathered to his fathers. He had a voice ez clear ez a bugle, an' jest ez sweet, an' to hear it a swellin' up from back in the ridge was soothin'er to me th'n balm o' Gilyud. The louder an' clearer them notes o' his'n riz, the nigher I know'd th't Mr. Deer was swingin' long to'ards me, an' the sooner ol' flintlock 'd jine the chorus. I b'lieve th't Noah's ark wouldn't ha' hel' all the deer ez that dog sent to me in his day an generation, an' if I'd hear his bugle break over the ridge w'ance more, an' k'd stan' agin on the Burnt Ches'nut run-way with my ol' flintlock ready for the deer w'en it kim a rearin' an' a tearin' at me through the brush, jest ez I did fifty year ago, why, darn it, boys, I'd be willin' to go hunt the very best' minute, bid the ol' woman good-by, an' turn my toes to the sun!'

"So yo see, boys, I didn't mean houn's w'en I mentioned yaller dogs. I was speakin' o' dogs the color o' dirty punkins, with long hair, an' heir tails 'twixt their legs, ez if they was afeerd ev'ry minute th't some body was pointer tin a tin kettle to 'em. Them's the dogs I mean, an' if th' was ever anything nex' to them th't I was too totally down on, I was sleepin' more'n two in a bed

"W'en I left my hum in the Sugar Swamp deed'ne to hoe my own row an' raw out a fortun', I were 10 year ol'. My poor ol' pap 'prenticed me to 10 year ol'. My poor ol' pap 'prenticed me to a tanner down in Jersey. The very fust night I was thar my boss sent me to sleep with three other 'prentices in a bed 'bout ez wide ez my ol' woman's marygol' bed, an' a three-year-ol' young 'un kin straddle that, easy. I says to the tanner, I says

"'I'll go hark in with the calf,' says I, 'or I'll go hide ses with the dog in his coop,' says I; 'or I'll take a piece o' the barn floor,' says I; 'or I'll hang up with the hams in the smoke house,' says I, 'but I'm gummed,' says I, 'if I'll sleep four in a bed,' says I.

"Well, the boss he reckoned th't I would, an' I reckoned, b'gosh, that I wouldn't; an' w'ile he went to git a strap to give me my fust lesson in tannin', I cut for the woods, what I felt at hum to wunst, an' slep' in a holler log ez snug ez a bfar's cub. An' I said then, an' I've stuck to it ever sence, th't things'd hef to be goin' pooty darn tough with me w'en I banked in with more'n one An' so I've swum along through life, boys, for nigh onter sixty-nine year, steerin' clear o' yaller dogs, an' never havin' been brung face to face with the critemmy ez to which I was pointer do or sleep four in a bed, until"——

Here the Old Settler paused abruptly and rose to his feet. He got red in the face and handled his cane nervously for a moment. Then he turned to the Squire and fairly howled

"Yes, sir; b'gosh! mighty! You did see comp'ny to my hum e, Squire! Thuz comp'ny thar! Job Streeter, my wife's brother, is thar! Mag Streeter, his wife is thar! An' seven young uns o' theirs, they'm thar! An' they've brought the ornarriest o' all ornary yaller dogs with 'em. An' he's thar, an' not only thar, but runnin' the hull durn plantation! An' to stow 'em all away, I've either got to sleep with my ol' woman an' two o' the young uns, or take to the barn with the cow! Sixty-nine year ol', b'gosh, an' havin' to skin outen my own house for four in a bed an' a yaller dog at last! I tell ye, boys, th't this vale o' tears hain't big enough to hold all the tribbylations th't some folks has got to bear!"

And the Old Settler laid ten cents on the bar, and before he could stop had poured twenty-five cents' worth of consolation in his glass, his hand trembled so.

ED. MOTT.

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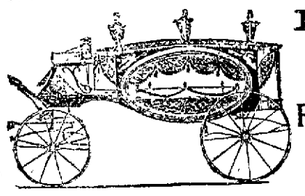

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REPAIRING and repainting, general line of vehicle work at the Bluegrass Shop. ap16-dtf

J. R. RACE & Co. have a fine line of MEN'S Plated Flannel Shirts—sizes from 17 to 20-inch collar. d&w

UNDERWEAR, Caps and Heavy Gloves at greatly reduced prices at J. R. Race & Co.'s. d&w

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Assignee's Notice.

Estate of John H. Black and Frank P. Black, doing business as John H. Black & Son—Debtor

The undersigned hereby gives notice that John H. Black and Frank P. Black, doing business as John H. Black & Son, of the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon, and state of Illinois, did on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1888, transfer to the undersigned, as assignee, all their property, real and personal, for the benefit of their creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said John H. Black & Son are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to me, at the city of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

J. W. RACE, Assignee.

Dated January 6, 1888.
jan11-d6w

All parties indebted to J. H. Black & Son are requested to call immediately and settle their accounts and notes. J. W. RACE, Assignee. jan11-d1w

1500 New Cloaks and Wraps,
For ladies and children, in elegant styles and decidedly cheap, at
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INMAN & LAWRENCE, at their restaurant, south side Lincoln Square, serve lunch, oysters and regular meals at low prices. No better place in town. Restaurant open all night. dec16-d&wtf

T. N. LEAVITT, of Maroa, has been appointed agent for the Pierce Well Augur for Macon and adjoining counties. The Pierce Augur was the one used at Decatur and Maroa. n17-dawtf

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